

# Alaska Local and Regional Information

## Workforce Info

### Butte

Butte is an unincorporated CDP located south of Palmer on the Old Glenn Highway. Butte is part of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 3,262, a gain of about 701 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 57 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ♦ Trade, Transportation and Utilities was the main industry in 2008, employing 21 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education than any other occupation.

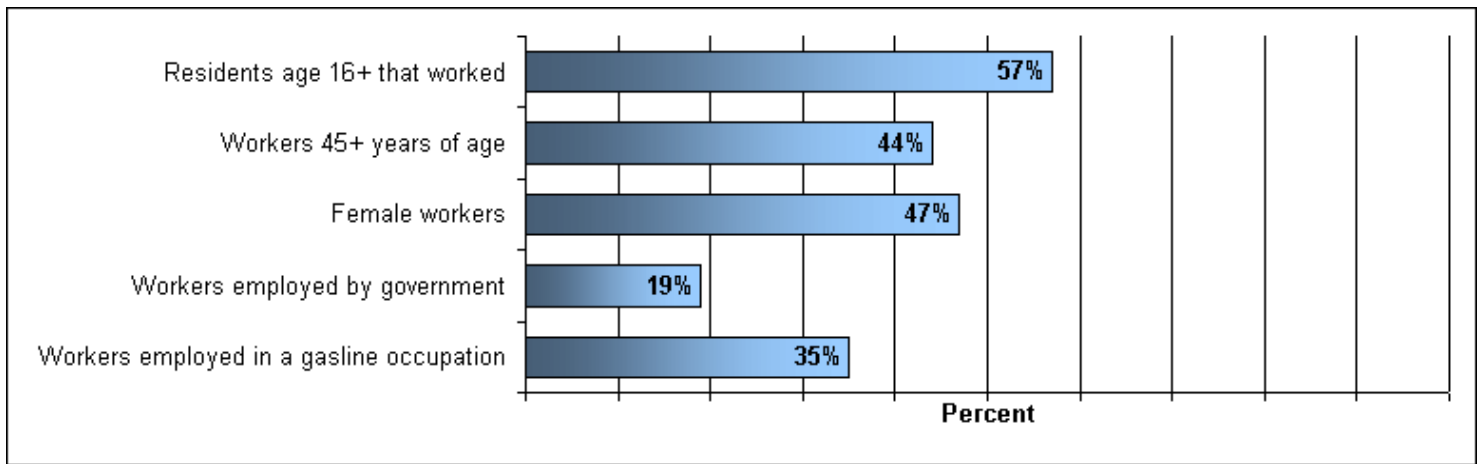
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

#### Butte Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	2,412	Total wages	\$53,441,110
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	1,377	Private	1,118
Male	723	State government	103
Female	653	Local government	156
Age 45+	608	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	390	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	1,237
		Percent working all 4 quarters	70.5%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	217	Some construction	390
		At least 1 year construction	252
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	170
New hires	476	Worked in an <b>AGIA</b> occupation	957

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## 2008 Residents

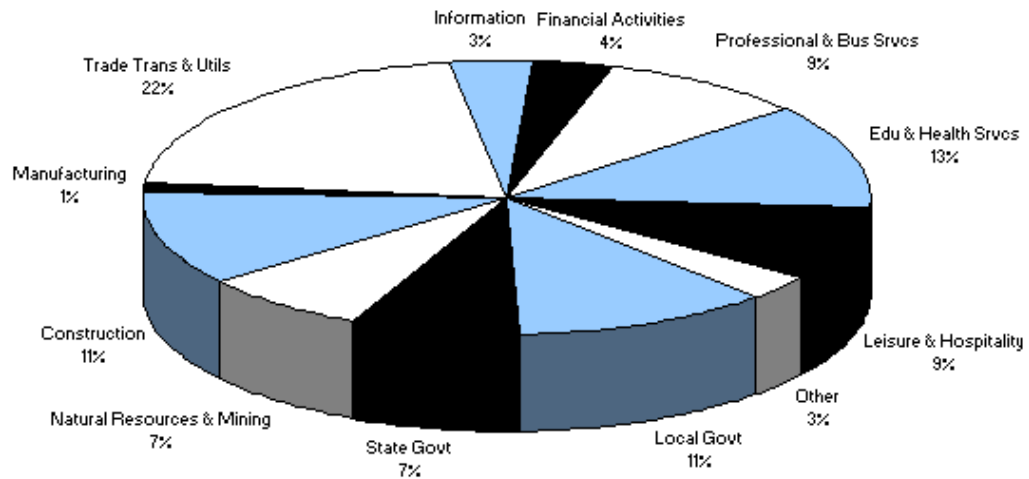


## Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	49	73.5%	17	10
Retail Salespersons	44	75.0%	20	16
Office Clerks, General <b>AGIA</b>	39	89.7%	15	10
Registered Nurses <b>HOT JOB</b>	35	94.3%	27	20
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	35	0.0%	23	12
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	32	68.8%	3	2
Cashiers	31	77.4%	10	5
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	27	63.0%	15	8
Construction Laborers <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	24	16.7%	4	2
Carpenters <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	21	4.8%	5	4
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand <b>AGIA</b>	18	22.2%	3	2
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	17	0.0%	7	3
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	17	88.2%	9	5
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General <b>AGIA</b>	17	17.6%	13	8
Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	16	43.8%	1	0
Sales and Related Workers, All Other	15	53.3%	6	6
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners <b>AGIA</b>	15	33.3%	9	5
Electricians <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	14	7.1%	7	3
General and Operations Managers	13	15.4%	9	8
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	13	92.3%	7	6
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other <b>AGIA</b>	13	76.9%	6	3
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	13	0.0%	5	2
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	13	0.0%	7	4
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	13	0.0%	7	5

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## Resident Workers by Industry



### Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	103	13.6%	48	25
Construction	155	15.5%	61	39
Manufacturing	14	35.7%	3	3
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	288	40.8%	119	77
Information	48	45.8%	23	15
Financial Activities	50	66.0%	26	12
Professional and Business Services	126	47.6%	45	27
Educational and Health Services	167	82.0%	87	60
Leisure and Hospitality	123	62.6%	26	20
State Government	103	51.5%	68	48
Local Government	156	59.6%	83	50
Other	43	39.5%	19	14
Unknown	*	*	*	*

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### Recent Unemployment Statistics

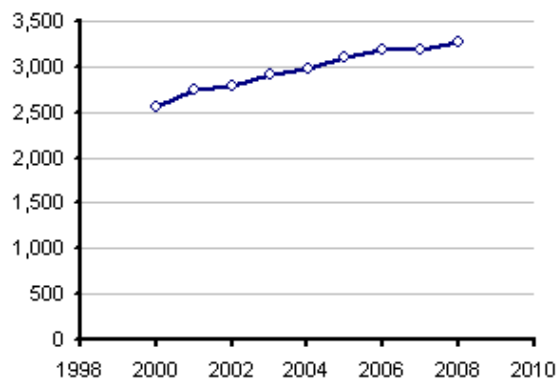
	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	0	0	0	0

\*\*UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

## Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Mat Su Borough Schools
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Palmer-Wasilla Health System LLC
Matanuska Susitna Borough
ASRC Energy Services O&M Inc
Fred Meyer Stores Inc
Nana Management Services LLC
Matanuska Telephone Assoc Inc
Wal-Mart Associates Inc
Anch School District 9011

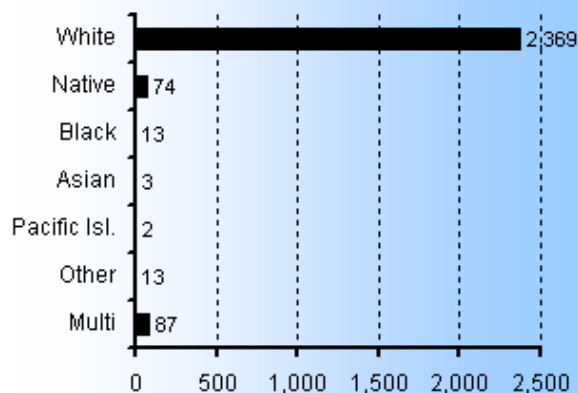
**Population over Time**



**2000 Census**

Median Age	36.2
Average Family Size	3.3
Average Household Size	2.9
Per Capita Income	\$22,522
Median Family Income	\$58,796
Median Household Income	\$55,573

**Population by Race**



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

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